



Reviews & Accolades

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016

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Sam Kim, March 2017

5 Stars & 94 Points

Punchy and delectable, this fabulous sauvignon is filled with ripe passionfruit, feijoa, lime zest and lemongrass characters. It is pristine and powerful on the palate, and delivers excellent concentration and fine texture, brilliantly structured by refreshing acidity. A gorgeous expression of the Awatere Valley. At its best: now to 2019.

WINESTATE MAGAZINE

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5 Stars

Classic Awatere Valley style. Highly aromatic and tightly structured, with fresh, pure, citrusy, herbal flavours, threaded with mouth-watering acidity, a mineral streak and a lasting finish.

WINE ENTHUSIAST

Joe Czerwinski, July 2017

90 Points

Bold and pungent, defined by passion fruit and green onion, this is a medium-bodied Sauvignon Blanc that packs a fruit-driven punch. White grapefruit fills in the gaps, finishing long and intense.

DECANTER WORLD WINE AWARDS

June 2017

Silver Medal & 90 Points

Fresh, tangy Awatere style with crisp nettle, capsicum, peach, gooseberry and mineral flavours. Great purity and an ethereal texture.

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Sue Courtney, March 2017

Wow, this is vivaciously aromatic. The ravishing tropical fruit scent has passionfruit highlights and gooseberry pungency and the flavours are crisp and tangy with juicy stonefruit joining tropical fruit, a squeeze of citrus, tomato stalk in the background, salivating salinity and a rounded finish. Made from 100% Awatere fruit, it's 'da bomb with oysters' says Alastair.

ROYAL EASTER SHOW WINE AWARDS

February 2017

Silver Medal

Brilliant, very pale straw colour with slight green hues, near colourless on the rim. This has a softly full nose with fresh aromas of pungent passionfruit harmoniously entwined with tropical fruit, herbs, cut grass and snow peas, unfolding mineral elements. The aromatics build gently to form a concentrated core. Dry to taste and medium-full bodied, the palate possesses a fine core of fresh passionfruit along with flavours of cut grass, fresh herbs and nuances of minerals. The fruit is guided by a fine, but firm phenolic-threaded line, and the mouthfeel is enlivened by brisk acidity. The flavours flow with plenty of energy to a tight and concentrated, lingering finish of passionfruit and herbs. This is a tight and firm passionfruity Sauvignon Blanc with cut grass and mineral nuances, a fine and firm line with mouthwatering acidity. Serve with Pacific Rim fare over the next 2+ years. Awatere Valley fruit cool-fermented in tank to 13.5% alc. and 2.8 g/L RS.